

## Introduction to sequences and series

Approximate

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$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!}$$

Notational  
Note

$$n! = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(2)(1)$$

$$Y_1 = 1 - x^2/2! + x^4/4! - \dots$$

2nd Quit

$$Y_1(\pi/6)$$

ⓈfunctionⓈ  
VARS ⇒ ENTER

Use these  
series  
to find approx  
 $\sin(\pi/6)$   
 $\cos(\pi/6)$   
 $\sin(\pi)$   
 $\cos(\pi)$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \approx .866025\dots$$

$$\sin(\pi) = 0$$

$$\cos(\pi) = -1$$

Q: How do we get this A: wait...

$$\cos(x) \approx 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} - \frac{x^{10}}{10!}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(x)) \approx -\frac{2x}{2!} + \frac{4x^3}{4!} - \frac{6x^5}{6!} + \frac{8x^7}{8!} - \frac{10x^9}{10!}$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $-\sin(x)$

$$= -\frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} - \frac{x^5}{5!} + \frac{x^7}{7!} - \frac{x^9}{9!}$$

$$\sin(x) \approx \frac{x}{1!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} \dots$$

$$\cos(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

NOTATIONAL  
CONVENTION

$$0! = 1$$

Historical Note

Graph  $x!$  ... nothing happens

EULER

$\Gamma(x)$

$$\Gamma(n) = n!$$

# Sequences

A sequence is an ordered list of things. [numbers for our purposes]

$\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$

$1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots, \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}, \dots$

$\left\{ \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

like  $\left( \frac{1}{2^x} \right)$

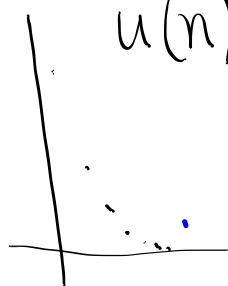
Encyclopedia of Sequences

~~Real~~

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$n_{\text{Min}} = 1$

$u(n) = 1/2^{(n-1)}$



Window

$n_{\text{Min}} = 1$

$n_{\text{Max}} = 20$

$X_{\text{min}} = -1$

$X_{\text{max}} = 20$

$X_{\text{scd}} = .01$

$Y_{\text{min}} = 0$

$Y_{\text{max}} = 1$

$Y_{\text{scd}} = .01$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{a_n\}$

the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of sequence  $a$

## Infinite sequences

Decreasing seq: if  $n_1 > n_2$   
*inc* then  $a_{n_1} \leq a_{n_2}$   
↑↑

Strictly decreasing: if  $n_1 > n_2$   
*inc* seq then  $a_{n_1} < a_{n_2}$

Monotonic: either decreasing  
or increasing

$-1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, \dots, -n, \dots$

strictly decreasing

$\{-n\}_{n=-4}^{\infty}$

$n$ : always a  
non-negative  
integer  
Unless I  
say otherwise

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A seq is bounded above if

there exists an  $M$

with  $a_n \leq M$  for every  $n$

[for every term in seq]

10.2/  
1-10  
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A seq is bounded below if

there is an  $N$

with  $a_n \geq N$  for ev. . .

$$82/39) \quad \star \int_1^3 \sqrt{x} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} \, dx$$

$$\text{Let } u = \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} \quad dv = \sqrt{x} \, dx = x^{1/2} \, dx$$

$$du = \frac{1}{1+(\sqrt{x})^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x^{1/2})^{-1/2} \, dx \quad v = \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2}$$

$$du = \frac{1}{1+x} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \, dx \quad v = \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2}$$

$$\star = \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{3} \int x \frac{1}{1+x} \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{x}{1+x} \, dx$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+1 \overline{) x} \\ \underline{-(x+1)} \\ -1 \end{array} \quad , \quad -\frac{1}{3} \int \frac{-1}{1+x} \, dx$$

$$\star = \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{3} x + \frac{1}{3} \ln |1+x| + C$$



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Only "good" for  
x "near" 0

Notational  
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(MATH =&gt; PRB (enter) =&gt; option 4)

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[function]

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Goal: Infinite Polynomials that  
approximate "nice" f<sup>n</sup>

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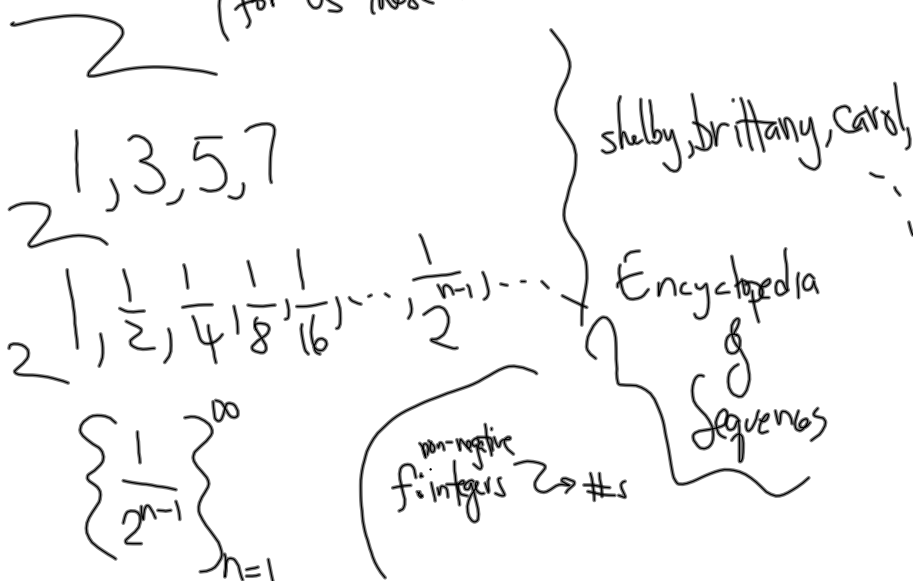
good for  
an interval of convergence

Shelby asks: how do we get these?

Ans: wait - - -

Start at sequences - - -

A sequence is an ordered list of things...  
(for us these will be numbers)



graph  
MODE  $\rightarrow$  SEQ

$$y =$$

$$nMin = 1$$

$$u(n) = 1 / 2^{(n-1)}$$

WINDOW

$$nMin = 1$$

$$nMax = 20$$

$$Xmin = 0$$

$$Xmax = 20$$

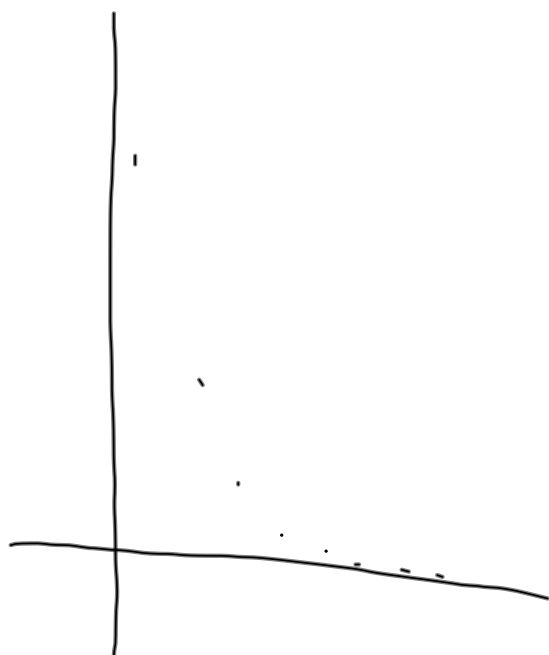
MODE DOT  
will just show  
you the pts of the sequence

$$Ymin = 0$$

$$Ymax = 1$$

$$Yscl = .01$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \right\} = 0$$



Sequential jargon

A decreasing sequence  $\{a_n\}$

if  $n_1 > n_2$   
then  $a_{n_1} \leq a_{n_2}$

A strictly decreasing sequence  
if  $n_1 > n_2$  then  $a_{n_1} < a_{n_2}$

An increasing seq. if  $n_1 > n_2$  then  $a_{n_1} \geq a_{n_2}$

A strictly increasing seq. if  $n_1 > n_2$  then  $a_{n_1} > a_{n_2}$

A monotonic sequence is an increasing or decreasing seq.  
"strictly monotonic"

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A seq is BOUNDED  
if it is bounded ABOVE & bounded BELOW

$-1, +1, -2, +2, -3, +3, \dots, -n, +n, \dots$

Every bounded  
monotonic  
sequence has a limit